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## "LAPD Central Division Honors Los Angeles County Probation"

Deputy Probation Officer Gregory Jackson was honored today by the LAPD's Central Bureau with a Certificate of Appreciation. It is the first time the LAPD Central Bureau is honoring a Los Angeles County Probation officer.

"Not only does his calmness and patience allow us to do those search and seizures. He's probably one of hardest working probation officers here at Central Bureau," says Lt. Elaine Morales.

DPO Jackson is assigned to the AB 109 unit tasked with assisting some of the busiest LAPD Divisions in making sure state parolees are complying with their court ordered supervision. Currently, LAPD's Central Bureau is responsible for monitoring the compliance of nearly 1,300 AB109 probationers and according to the Unit's leadership, DPO Jackson is essential to their operation.

"We get better results when Greg Jackson is present," says Lt. Morales.

According to the LAPD, that calm and patient demeanor contributes to a safer environment for their officers. DPO Jackson's professional relationships with the housing and medical facilities allow easier access for officers trying to conduct compliance checks. Often the parolees know DPO Jackson by sight. He has rapport that allows LAPD officers to conduct parole checks. He helps create an environment of trust and compliance.

Lt. Morales adds, "His positive relationships distinguish him. Those relationships absolutely contribute to our officer safety. His relationships with housing or medical treatment facilities allow us to complete our compliance checks without incident which can actually reduce crime spikes or trends in a community." In other words, by conducting compliance checks, officers know where the parolees are and what they are doing. This knowledge can reduce crime spikes or trends.

According to the officers who work with DPO Jackson, he's a genuinely nice guy. He appears to enjoy positive relations with all of his team members. His work is truly noteworthy.

LAPD's Central Bureau consists of the LAPD Divisions: Rampart, Central, Hollenbeck, Newton, and Northeast Five Los Angeles County Deputy Probation Officers are tasked with acting as liaison between Probation and LAPD regarding those under Post-Release Community Supervision. LA County Probation assists in conduct compliance checks and address verifications, and ride-along with their respective LAPD officers.

Los Angeles County Probation provides information regarding these Post-Released Supervised Persons (PSPs) that is usually not available to LAPD officers such as criminal history and gang affiliations and other key relationships through its Automated Probation System database.